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FM AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8757

AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

AMEMBASSY MANILA

AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE

UNCLAS WELLINGTON 3202

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TAGS: OVIP: AS (DENT, FREDERICK B.)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT BY SECRETARY OF COMMERCE DENT, DEC. 1-14 1974

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1. EMBASSY WELCOMES PROPOSED VISIT. TIMING ACCEPTABLE. WOULD ADVISE, HOWEVER, THAT MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, IS CABINET DAY WHICH COULD RESTRICT EITHER ACCESSIBILITY OR LENGTH OF TIME AVAILABLE FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH CERTAIN KEY MINISTERS. EMBASSY DOES NOT VIEW THIS AS SERIOUS DRAWBACK TO PREPARING WORTHWHILE SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY.

2. SUGGEST THAT SECRETARY MAY WISH APPOINTMENTS WITH PRIME MINISTER, FOR COURTESY CALL AND WITH MINISTER FREER OF DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY, AND WALDING, MINISTER OF OVERSEAS TRADE. AMBASSADOR WILL UNDOUBTEDLY WISH TO HOST DINNER AT RESIDENCE MONDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 2. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT SOME GNZ MINISTER MAY WISH HOST LUNCHEON FOR SECRETARY DENT ON THAT DAY. ALTERNATIVELY, THE AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN NEW ZEALAND (AMCHAM) HAS CONFIRMED THAT IT WOULD LIKE TO ARRANGE A LUNCHEON AT WHICH THE SECRETARY WOULD BE THE HONORED GUEST AND SPEAKER. AMCHAM MEMBERSHIP IS MADE UP OF AMERICAN SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES AND NEW ZEALAND COMPANIES WHICH

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HAVE ESTABLISHED BUSINESS CONNECTIONS WITH US FIRMS. BY

FAR THE LARGEST NUMBER OF MEMBERS ARE IN THE LATTER CATEGORY. SUCH AS AMCHAM FUNCTION WOULD, IN THE EMBASSY'S VIEW PROVIDE AN EXCELLENT FORUM FOR REMARKS THE SECRETARY MIGHT WISH TO MAKE TO AN AUDIENCE WHICH WOULD CONSIST PRE DOMINANTLY OF NEW ZEALAND BUSINESS AND GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES.

3. EMBASSY SUGGESTIONS OR ARRANGEMENTS FOR AIRCRAFT ARRIVAL COVERED IN SEPTTEL.
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